

## Day 1 - Age of Anxiety

Entrance task: **Think:**

- \* What was life like in Europe after 1918?
  - Be specific - how were private and professional lives impacted by war?
- \* What reactions might people have had as a result of these results?
- \* Can you make any modern-day comparisons?

Today: The Age of Anxiety

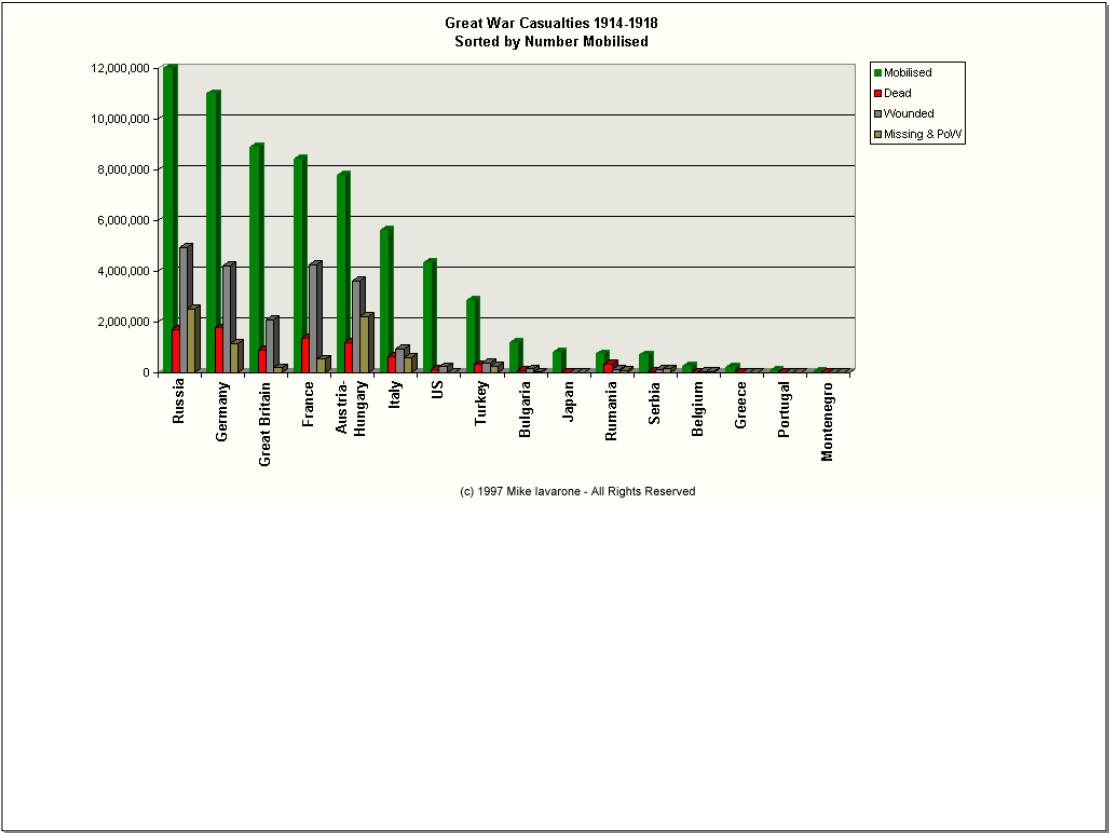
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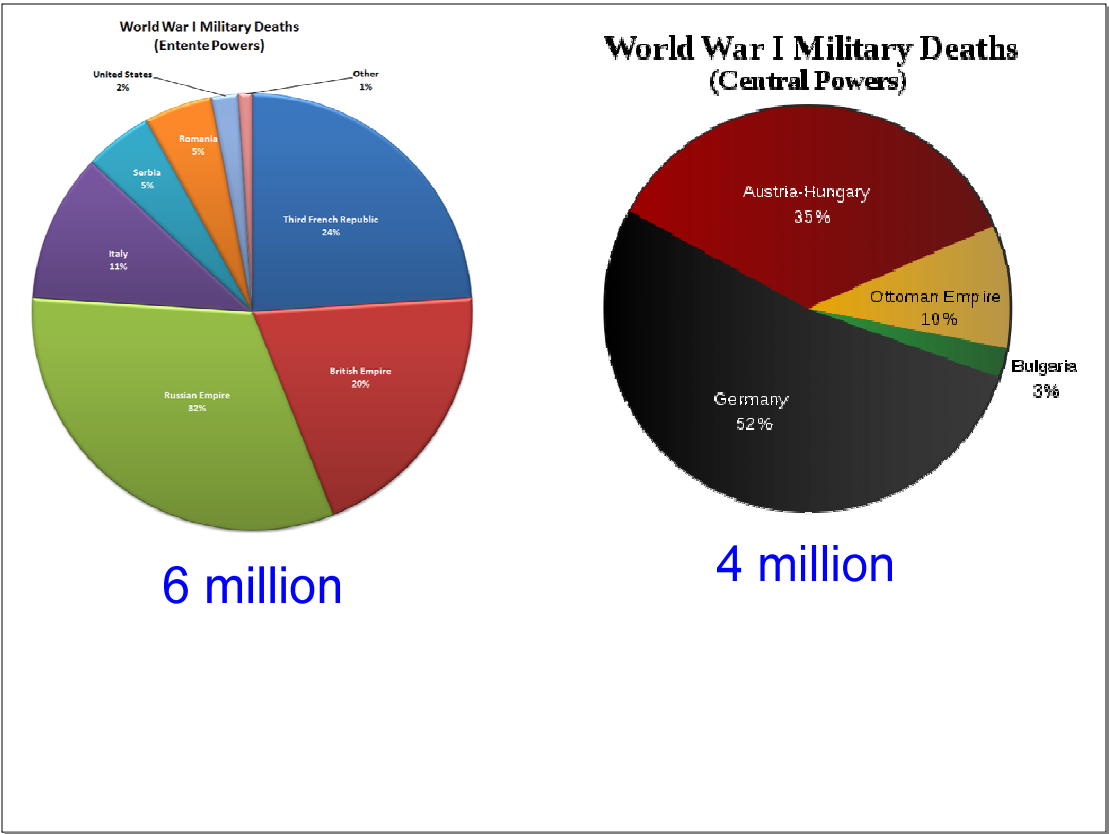
**"War is hell and those who initiate it are criminals"**  
**British poet Siegfried Sassoon (1886-1967)**

French Losses	Totals
Forest laid waste (sq. miles)	1,857
Farmland laid waste (sq. miles)	8,000
Houses destroyed	300,000
Factories destroyed	6,000
School destroyed	1,500
Churches destroyed	1,200
Livestock lost	1,300,000

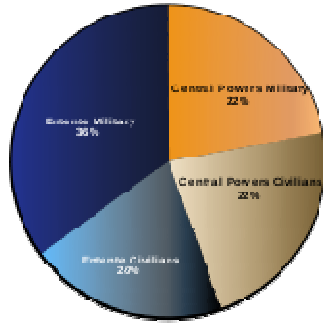
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**World War I Deaths**

Entente Military = 35%  
 Central Powers Military = 22%  
 Central Powers Civil. = 22%  
 Entente Civil. = 20%

15 million killed  
 20 million wounded

Unlike other wars, 2/3 of the deaths occurred on the battle field, not from disease

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**Paul Valéry: 1871-1945**

**French poet, essayist, philosopher**

***On European Civilization and the European Mind*, c. 1919, 1922**

1. What is his thesis in each excerpt?
2. Why might he have this perspective?
3. Is it credible?

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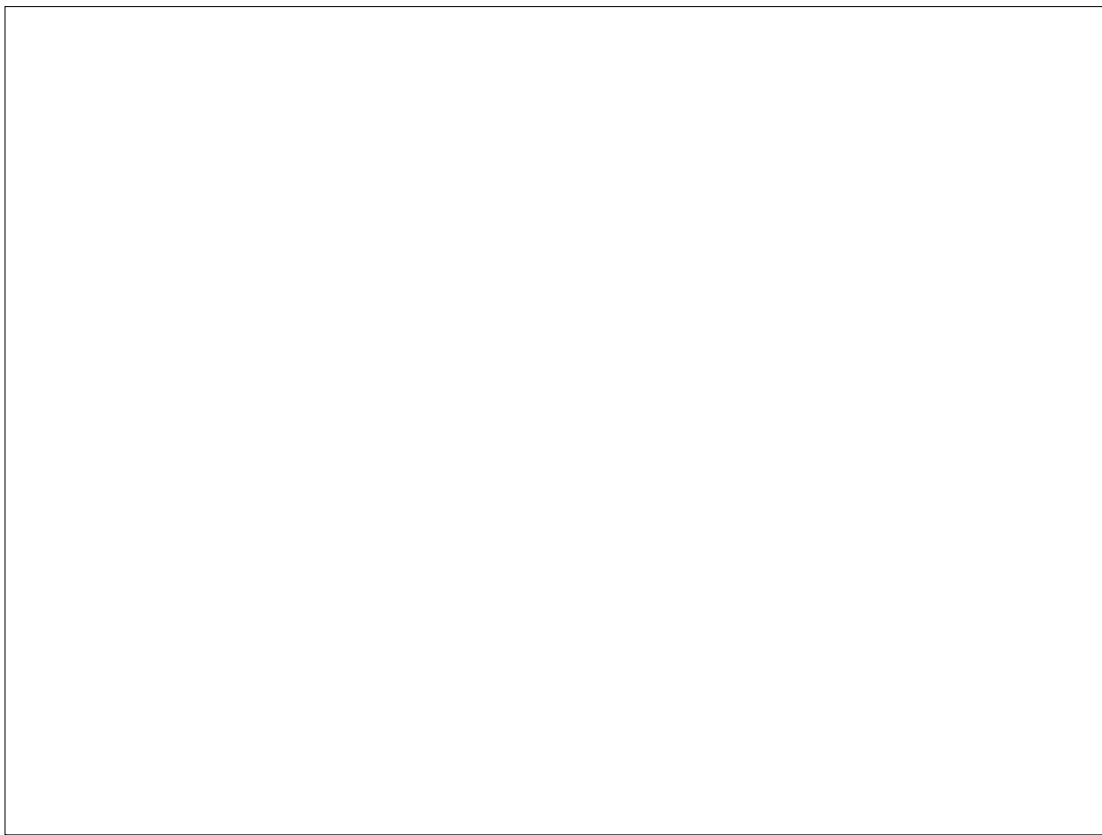
## What really happened . . .

- \* Loss of faith in reason and progress
- \* Developments in art: abstract, cubism, surrealism, impressionism, functionalism, etc.
- \* Developments in philosophy: Freud, Nietzsche, etc.
- \* Developments in science: Einstein, Curie, etc.
- \* Huge unemployment and inflation
- \* Worldwide economic depression
- \* Rise of **totalitarian dictators** in Europe

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